POLICY BULLETIN
CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS

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SUBJECT: Modification to the list of USDA-approved Nutrient Analysis Software

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This is to inform you of a recent change to the list of USDA-approved Nutrient Standard Menu Planning (NSMP) and School Meals Initiative (SMI) nutrient analysis software programs available to State Agencies (SA), School Food Authorities (SFA) and local schools to meet SMI requirements. *Meal Tracker Menu Planning (formerly Simple Menu Planning)* from Accu-Scan Division has not met the USDA requirements for use in conducting nutrient analyses for NSMP and SMI requirements for School Year (SY) 2007-2008. The USDA-approved status for *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* will expire on July 1, 2007, because the software was not updated to include the most recent Child Nutrition Database Release 10.

SFAs or local schools currently using *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* will need to begin the procurement process for purchasing new software approved for use in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the National School Breakfast Program (NSBP) from the list located at the Healthy Meals Resource System website (HMRS). Current Accu-Scan customers can continue to use *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* until the end of SY 2006-2007. The current list of USDA- approved software programs is attached for your reference and can be found at: http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/nal display/index.php?info_center=14&tax level=2&taxsubject=234&topic_id=1209.

 Potential customers considering the purchase of *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* for use in the NSLP and NSBP for the 2007-2008 school year should redirect their procurement efforts to include any of the other USDA-approved software packages listed at
 the HMRS website (attached).

USDA-approved Software Programs

As of June 2006, there are **eight** USDA-approved software programs available for State Agencies, School Food Authorities and local schools to implement Nutrient Standard Menu Planning (NSMP). These software systems have been tested and evaluated for use in conducting nutrient analyses that meet School Meals Initiative requirements.

We provide this information to assist school districts in the selection of a software system to implement Nutrient Standard Menu Planning. Food and Nutrition Service will notify the regional offices about the approval of additional software systems.

- **View the Benefits of Using USDA-Approved Software**

- **Learn About the Software Evaluation Team**

During the past year (July 2005 - June 2006), the following companies have submitted programs for evaluation and are in the process of meeting the specifications required for approval by USDA:

- Cybersoft Technologies

- Eatec Software Corporation

- MCS Software

Click on a software title from the list below to view a chart with additional information about the program **provided by the software developer**. The following charts provide detailed information about costs, training, support, functions, additional services and features, and hardware requirements of the approved programs.

- **Learn more about the information in these charts**

Bon Appetit
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LunchBox
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Web site: www.lunchbox-k12.com

Meal Tracker Menu Planning (USDA-approval expires on July 1, 2007)*
Formerly **Simple Menu Planning; Sold to AccuScan Division in March 2005**
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(888) 880-8278
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Web site: www.accu-scan.com
This program is no longer being maintained by Accu-Scan Division and does not contain the newest version of the Child Nutrition Database (CN10). Users who rely on USDA-approved software should begin the procurement process so that they may obtain USDA-approved software by the start of the 2007 school year.

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